

January 2017 Meeting Minutes

This AYHSC Monthly Meeting was held on January 12, 2017 at 5:35pm the Whittemore Robbins House.

Members Present: Ivy Laplante, Karen Dillon, Colleen Leger, Kerry Austin-Smith, Stephen Porciello, Bryan Gallagher, Carlene Newell, Joe Curro, Cindy Bouvier, Pat Egan, Megan Laurendeau, Cooper Schoenthaler, Ellie Egan

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Introductions, Accept Minutes of the November Meeting	<p>Student Advisors and community members all introduced themselves and shared their respective roles in the Arlington community.</p> <p>Cooper moved to approve the November meeting minutes, Carlene seconded. All present approved the November meeting minutes.</p>	Ivy will publish November minutes on town website.
Student Coalition Updates	<p>Project Purple game is scheduled for January 27th at 7pm.</p> <p>The <i>Student Commission on Mental Health Awareness</i> (merging of AYHSC students and Student Council) met before the winter break.</p> <p>Emily Brown is looking into the creation of a mural at AHS. Potential mural could depict a tree with available resources/ support services.</p> <p>Youth Resource guide is being edited and will go live on the AHS website.</p>	Ivy check in with Andrea Razi about Mental Health Awareness Day (April 4th) activities at AHS and Ottoson.
SAP-C Grant Updates	<p>Cluster is planning an event at the State House. Students and adults will meet with legislators to advocate for an increased tax on alcohol. The event will be policy focused and modelled after The 84's Kick Butts Day.</p>	Ivy will bring updates to next meeting.
Project Updates	<p>Officer Porciello's SRO Holiday Prevention letter was well received</p> <p>Pizza Box Design ideas have been sought out for underage drinking prevention campaign.</p> <p>AYHSC and APS applied for a \$19K grant from the MA Attorney General's office to teach LifeSkills</p>	<p>Ofc Porciello will distribute similar letter before AHS proms.</p> <p>Karen will work with the art department at AHS, ACHS and Minuteman to get a design.</p>

	<p>curriculum during Ottoson FACS class. Should be notified by January 19.</p> <p>SBIRT Update: Screened 406 students at Ottoson. 4 were referred to mental health services. Next year AYHSC will screen 7 & 9th graders. Ivy met with AHS administrators to plan for implementation next year.</p>	
Policy Updates	<p>Marijuana is now legal in MA, but it does not necessarily mean it is safe to use. Ivy shared a letter that the town of Westwood created and distributed about marijuana legalization. Pat Egan talked about a similar response he wrote for MIT and said he would share it in Arlington.</p> <p>Officer Gallagher spoke about the legal issues about marijuana OUI, consumption etc. Open container law applies to marijuana consumption as well.</p> <p>Joe Sancinito's students gave a presentation on opioid policy.</p>	<p>Dr. Egan will send letter to Ivy & Karen. Karen will include Dr. Egan's letter in the Feb. newsletter. Ivy will forward newsletter to Dr. Bodie to send to parents.</p> <p>Karen will ask BOH about process to issue a ticket for MJ use like the tobacco ticket.</p> <p>Cindy Bouvier will share the students' opioid policy presentation with Ivy.</p>

Meeting was adjourned at 6:30pm.

The next Coalition meeting will be held on Thursday, February 2nd, 2017 at 5:30pm at the Whittemore Robbins House.